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adequately. Then you whine and complain because you say the debate goes too long. Well, if you choose not to talk when the opportunity is there, can you blame me? What I'm talking about objecting to is the arbitrary irrational limit placed on the number of amendments a member can offer. But if you're going to do it, put it on all of us and take away the chance of arbitrariness which you placed in whoever happens to be sitting in the Chair. So my amendment would strike the language that gives the introducer of the bill the opportunity to offer more amendments, an unlimited number, than anybody else on the floor because, remember, if I have a bill up there then I can take the rest of the session offering amendments if that's the only reason amendments are offered. And it would also strike the language that places in the hands of whoever sits in the Chair the power to say this person can offer more than three amendments and motions, that person cannot.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That is what my amendment would do.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. The question before the body is the adoption of the Chambers amendment to the second amendment to the permanent rules. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I would like a call of the house and a roll call vote.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The house is under call. Will senators please check in. Senator Bohlke, will you check in. Senator Jensen, Senator Brashear. Excuse me, Senator Brashear. Senator Janssen,. Senator Chambers has requested a roll call vote. Mr. Clerk, please proceed.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken. See pages 231-32 of the Legislative Journal.) 17 ayes, 22 nays, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Chambers amendment fails. I raise the call. Items for the record.

CLERK: Madam President, hearing notice from the Transportation Committee. New bills. (Read LB 1095-1098 by title for first